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STATEMENT UNDER ARTICLE 19

In response to the Notification of Transmittal of the International Search Report or Declaration dated November 27, 1997, Applicants are forwarding herein replacement sheets of amended claims.

Claims 1, 17, 24 and 46 were amended to describe the sequence acceptance site as recited in claim 50. Claims 1, 17, 24 and 46 were further amended to recite "lacking nucleic acid sequences encoding vector-derived polypeptides."

Claims 20 and 22 were amended to correct grammatical errors.

Claim 23 was amended to correct a typographical error in MIP-1 α and to insert the chemokine "IP-10".

The recitation from cancelled claim 49 was incorporated into claim 50.

Claim 52 was amended to reflect the cancellation of claim 49.

Claim 54 was amended to depend from claim 50.

New "use of product" claims were added, i.e. claims 55-62 which mirror the method of treatment claims, claims 38-45.

New claims 63-66 were added which further characterize the vector.

Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment does not introduce new matter and are fully supported by, and do not change the meaning or content of the description and drawings.

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